

New combinations in *Camptacra* N. Burb. (Asteraceae: Astereae)

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Abstract

Lander, N.S. New combinations in *Camptacra* N. Burb. (Asteraceae: Astereae). Nuytsia 6(1):61 (1987). Examination of type material of *Eurybia gracilis* Benth. has shown this to be an earlier name for *Aster brachycomoides* F. Muell., the basionym for *Camptacra brachycomoides* (F. Muell.) N. Burb., a species found in coastal areas of the Northern Territory and northern Queensland and on the north-western slopes of New South Wales. The new combinations *Camptacra gracilis* (N. Burb.) Lander, *C. gracilis* f. *arachnoidea* (N. Burb.) Lander and *C. gracilis* f. *lanata* (N. Burb.) Lander are provided.

Introduction

Amongst the supplementary collections of *Olearia* (Asteraceae) held at the National Herbarium of Victoria (MEL) I recently encountered isotype material of *Eurybia gracilis* Benth. in the form of a small packet from the Sonder herbarium bearing the name *Eurybia gracilis* Benth. and that of its collector, the artist Ferdinand Lukas Bauer. Inside is a small branch of a plant hitherto known as *Camptacra brachycomoides* (F. Muell.) N. Burb., a species occurring in coastal areas of the Northern Territory and northern Queensland and on the north-western slopes of New South Wales. Its subglabrous, narrowly linear leaves which are three-toothed at the apex but otherwise entire conform to those of the type form.

Subsequent to its publication the name *Eurybia gracilis* Benth. (1837) appears to have been overlooked, even by Bentham himself in his "Flora Australiensis". As this name predates that of *Aster brachycomoides* F. Muell. (1865) the following new combinations are necessary.

***Camptacra gracilis* (Benth.) Lander, comb. nov.;** *Eurybia gracilis* Benth. in Endlicher et al., Enum. Pl. Hueg. 59, in nota (1837). *Type:* s. loc., s. dat., Bauer (holo: ? W, non vidi; iso: MEL, ex herb. Sonder).

Aster brachycomoides F. Muell., Fragm. 5: 86 (1865); *Vittadinia brachycomoides* (F. Muell.) Benth., Fl. Austral. 3: 490 (1867); *V. brachycomoides* var. *latifolia* Benth., Fl. Austral. 3:490 (1867); *Camptacra brachycomoides* (F. Muell.) N. Burb., Brunonia 5: 12-15 (1982). *Lectotype* (designated in Burbidge, loc. cit.): "Arnheim's Land, 14 juli [18]56", F. Mueller (lecto: MEL 1004273).

***Camptacra gracilis* f. *arachnoidea* (N. Burb.) Lander, comb. nov.;** *Camptacra brachycomoides* f. *arachnoidea* N. Burb., Brunonia 5: 14 (1982). *Type:* Rockingham's Bay, *Dallachy* (holo: MEL 1004261).

***Camptacra gracilis* f. *lanata* (N. Burb.) Lander, comb. nov.;** *Camptacra brachycomoides* f. *lanata* N. Burb., Brunonia 5: 14-15 (1982). *Type:* near source of Poison Creek, about 90 miles N of Hughenden, Queensland, 11 Nov. 1935, S.T. Blake 8545 (holo: BRI 084813, non vidi).

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